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Note verbale dated 8 June 2015 from the Permanent Mission of Hungary to the United Nations addressed to the Chair of the Committee

The Permanent Mission of Hungary to the United Nations presents its compliments to the Chair of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 2206 (2015) concerning South Sudan and has the honour to inform the Committee of the following.

Security Council resolution 2206 (2015) has been transposed into European Union law by Decision (CFSP) 2015/740 and Regulation (EU) 2015/735 of 7 May 2015 of the Council of the European Union concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in South Sudan, which repeal Decision 2014/449/CFSP and Regulation (EU) No. 748/2014, respectively.

Hungary implements United Nations resolutions on that question through the European Union regulation and decision mentioned above.

In Hungary, when a European Union legal act orders the implementation of a financial and asset-related restrictive measure, it is executed in accordance with act CLXXX of 2007 on the implementation of financial and asset-related restrictive measures ordered by the European Union, and on respective amendments to other laws. The latest amendments to act CLXXX are set out in act LII of 2013 on the amendment to act CXXXVI of 2007 on the prevention and combating of money laundering and terrorist financing, and to certain related acts. Act LII has been applied effectively by the competent authorities as well as the service providers concerned in Hungary since its entry into force, on 1 July 2013.

Based on the act CLXXX, the Hungarian Financial Intelligence Unit is the central authority responsible for the implementation of financial and asset-related restrictive measures.

Regarding the sanctions related to South Sudan, the Unit has introduced the following measures:

– It has published direct links to the relevant European Union regulations on its website home page;

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– It has instructed its staff to pay particular attention, in the course of their risk-based analytical work, to suspicious transaction reports that may be related to the restrictive measures in question.

The Unit has not taken any financial restrictive measures (asset freezing) on the basis of the European Union regulations mentioned above.

Concerning paragraph 9 of resolution 2206 (2015) regarding the travel ban, Hungary follows European Union regulations. The member State holding the presidency of the Council of the European Union is responsible for adding individuals in the Schengen Information System, which is in operation in all European Union member States and associated countries that are part of the Schengen Area.